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# HOUSE BILL No. 1146

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## DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

**Citations Affected:** IC 5-14-6.

**Synopsis:** Electronic reports to the legislature. Requires various state agencies that: (1) are required by law to produce an annual or other report for the entire general assembly or the legislative council; or (2) voluntarily produce a report for the entire general assembly or the legislative council; to submit the report in electronic form instead of sending paper copies. Requires the submitting agency to cause the report to be electronically mailed to each legislator and posted on the Internet. Requires the legislative services agency (LSA) to periodically compile all of the reports received from state agencies on a CD-ROM or other electronic medium for distribution to members of the general assembly upon request. Requires the LSA, under the direction of the code revision commission, to prepare legislation for the 2003 regular session to make conforming amendments to statutes that contain annual report requirements.

**Effective:** Upon passage; July 1, 2002.

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January 9, 2002, read first time and referred to Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedures.

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Introduced

Second Regular Session 112th General Assembly (2002)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2001 General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state offices and administration.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1       SECTION 1. IC 5-14-6 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS  
2       A **NEW** CHAPTER TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY  
3       1, 2002]:

4       **Chapter 6. Electronic Transmission of Reports to the General**  
5       **Assembly**

6       **Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "public agency" includes the**  
7       **following:**

8           **(1) The judicial branch of state government.**

9           **(2) A state agency (as defined in IC 4-13-1-1).**

10          **(3) A body corporate and politic created by statute.**

11          **(4) A state educational institution (as defined in**  
12          **IC 20-12-0.5-1).**

13       **Sec. 2. As used in this chapter, "report" includes any annual or**  
14       **other report that a public agency:**

15           **(1) voluntarily; or**

16           **(2) under a statutory directive;**

17       **submits to the entire membership of the general assembly or the**

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1 legislative council. The term does not include any document  
 2 prepared for or at the request of an individual member or  
 3 committee of the general assembly.

4 Sec. 3. (a) A public agency may not submit a report to the  
 5 general assembly or to the legislative council on paper.

6 (b) Notwithstanding any law, no funds appropriated to a public  
 7 agency from the state treasury may be used to duplicate, print,  
 8 distribute, or mail a report in violation of this chapter.

9 Sec. 4. (a) A public agency shall submit all reports in an  
 10 electronic format specified by the executive director of the  
 11 legislative services agency. Unless otherwise specified in statute, the  
 12 electronic copy shall be delivered to the executive director of the  
 13 legislative services agency.

14 (b) An agency that submits a report under subsection (a) shall  
 15 do the following:

16 (1) Post, or cause to be posted, a copy of the report on the  
 17 Internet.

18 (2) Send a copy of the report to each member of the general  
 19 assembly, using the member's senate or house of  
 20 representatives electronic mail address.

21 (c) The legislative services agency shall periodically compile  
 22 reports received under this chapter on a CD-ROM or other  
 23 suitable storage medium and shall distribute copies of the  
 24 CD-ROM or other medium to any member of the general assembly  
 25 who requests a copy.

26 SECTION 2. [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE] (a) The legislative  
 27 services agency, under the direction of the code revision  
 28 commission, shall prepare legislation for introduction during the  
 29 2003 regular session of the general assembly that brings statutes  
 30 concerning annual or other reports by public agencies into  
 31 conformity with the provisions of this act.

32 (b) This SECTION expires January 1, 2004.

33 SECTION 3. An emergency is declared for this act.

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